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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENNA 6448

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SUBJECT: OPEC NOTES

1. FOLLOWING ARE MORE NOTEWORTHY ITEMS OF INFORMATION

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IMPARTED BY CYRUS SAMII, CHIEF OF OPEC TECHNICAL SECTION,

IN JULY 18 LUNCHEON WITH EMBOFFS.

2. THE FOLLOWING SEVEN COUNTRIES HAVE APPROVED IDEA OF PROJECTED OPEC FUND: ALGERIA, NIGERIA, GABON, LIBYA, ECUADO, VENEZUELA AND IRAN. AS NOTED IN OPEC'S JUNE 17 PRESS RELEASE FROM QUITO, A WORKING PARTY WILL BE CONVENED IN VIENNA ON AUGUST 5 TO FINALIZE ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT OF THE OPEC FUND.

3. SAMII SAID THAT DR. KHENE WOULD DEFINITELY NOT BE RE-ELECTED AS SECRETARY GENERAL. HE ANTICIPATES THAT A NIGERIAN WILL BE ELECTED BUT HAS NO IDEA WHO HE WILL BE. SAMII DEPLORES FACT THAT SECRETARY GENERAL CANDIDATE WILL NOT BE PRESENTED TO OPEC CONFERENCE UNTIL THE DECEMBER MEETING. HE RECALLED THAT IN DECEMBER 1969 LIBYA PRESENTED A CANDIDATE, OMAR EL BADRI, WHO WAS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE. SINCE IT WAS LIBYA'S TURN TO NOMINATE A SECRETARY GENERAL, IT WAS ASKED TO COME UP WITH A DIFFERENT NAME. HOWEVER, JUST BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR LIBYA AGAIN NOMINATED EL BADRI WHO BECAME SECRETARY GENERAL WITHOUT THE MEETING OF ANOTHER CONFERENCE.

4. MR. SAMII, WHO HAS BEEN WITH OPEC FOR SEVEN YEARS, AND BY VIRTUE OF HIS SENIORITY AMONG SECTION HEADS ACTS AS SECRETARY GENERAL IN LATTER'S ABSENCE, WILL BE LEAVING SECRETARIAT IN OCTOBER AND RETURNING TO IRAN WHERE HE WILL RESUME HIS CAREER WITH INOC. MOWINCKEL

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